

**DALLASTOWN-YOE WATER AUTHORITY
175 E. BROAD STREET
DALLASTOWN, PA 17313
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 11, 2018 – 7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The July 11th meeting of the Dallastown-Yoe Water Authority was called to order by Authority Vice Chairman, Steve Malesker, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Malesker
Pat Callahan
Susan Sprague
Michael McGonagle

ALSO PRESENT

Connie Stokes – Borough Manager
Chad Kehew – Holley & Associates – Engineer
Joe Joines – Maintenance
David Garabedian – Borough Zoning Officer

ABSENT

Patricia Myers
Peter Ruth – Solicitor – Stock & Leader

ACTION ON THE 6/12/18 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Ms. Sprague moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to approve the 6/12/18 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

VISITORS

Ron Smith – 220 W. Broad Street, Dallastown
Jamie Stoltzfus – I.K. Stoltzfus
Sam Snyder – Yoe Borough Council President

- Sam Snyder, President of Yoe Borough Council, spoke to the Authority concerning a fire hydrant which is out of service in Yoe Borough. In the past 6 years, Yoe Borough has paid over \$60,000.00 for the repair of fire hydrants and they do not have the funds to make this repair. Mr. Snyder did some research, going back to when the Authority was originated. Apparently there was a lease agreement between the Authority and the Boroughs. Operations and maintenance are in question. He feels that fire hydrants are part of the system that is leased and the Authority should be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of said hydrants. He feels the lease agreement should be re-worked to cover this.
Ms. Stokes stated that in all the years she has been working with the DYWA, both here and in Red Lion, she has never seen any agreements. Per the Rules and Regs, which was a collaboration of the Authority and Solicitors, The Authority is responsible for getting the water to the Municipalities and the maintenance of the fire hydrants has always been the responsibility of each municipality, whether it be Dallastown Borough, Yoe Borough or York Township. The Authority is responsible for keeping the system, both lines and tanks, in repair and updating as needed. If they would take on the hydrants also, rates would need to double. There are 211 hydrants in the system, 63 in Dallastown Borough, 21 in Yoe Borough and 127 in York Township. The municipalities pay a flat quarterly fee for the hydrants of \$89.97 per hydrant which covers getting the water to the hydrant. Hydrants are not metered, so if there

is a fire, the Authority absorbs the cost of the water used. Plus, when the fire companies have training and hook up to the hydrants, the cost of that water is absorbed by the Authority.

Ms. Sprague said that the Authority stands by its Rules and Regs and no one is given special treatment. Mr. Callahan and Mr. McGonagle agreed and it was the consensus of the Authority to have the Solicitor review the matter.

Mr. Malesker suggested that maybe the Authority maintenance crew could assist with labor.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- Mr. Kehew met with Mr. Joines today to start the discussion of replacing the stand pipes (tanks) on Park Street. He feels it might be useful to visit some of the elevated tanks around the area in order to start to focus in on what makes the most sense for the location. Elevation is a question and he is looking for feedback on features. Mr. Kehew will call Dennis Sarpem from New Freedom to get some tentative dates to visit their tank. Jamie Stoltzfus of I.K. Stoltzfus is also willing to collaborate with ideas for tanks.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Ruth was absent from the meeting, so there was no Solicitor's Report.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Dave Hagan with Double Dog Communications will have his work done on the tanks in 90 days.
- In reference to last month's meeting concerning water usage at Alpine Signs, it was determined that Doug Bray owes the bill.
- Tank Level Report
- Master Meter Reads

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE AUTHORITY

- Jamie Stoltzfus, of I.K. Stoltzfus, supplied the Authority with labor rates and the work they perform. He said they would only do a yearly visual of the tanks or as needed.
- Last month the Authority approved Kinsley Construction to do the water work on E. Maple Street. The agreements are ready to be executed.

Motion: Ms. Sprague moved and was seconded by Mr. McGonagle to approve the execution of the agreement with Kinsley Construction to start work on E. Maple Street.

Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion: Mr. Callahan moved and was seconded by Mr. McGonagle to approve the bills as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Motion: Mr. McGonagle moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Callahan moved and was seconded by Mr. McGonagle to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Wertz